

The Department of Food and Agriculture, Animal Health Branch, hereby makes the following changes to Title 3 of the California Code of Regulations to read as follows:

1) Amend the heading of Article 9 of Chapter 2, Division 2, of Title 3 of the California Code of Regulations, to read as follows:

Article 9. Reportable Conditions for Animals and ~~Poultry Diseases~~ Animal Products

2) Adopt section 797 of Article 9, Chapter 2, Division 2, of Title 3 of the California Code of Regulations, to read as follows:

Section 797. List of Reportable Conditions for Animals and Animal Products.

(a) The term "condition" means any illness, disease, infection, pathogen, contagion, toxin, bacteria, virus, prion, or any other material or factors affecting animals or animal products.

(b) The State Veterinarian shall determine which conditions shall be listed in the "List of Reportable Conditions for Animals and Animal Products" and the timeframes for reporting those conditions pursuant to section 9101 of the Food and Agricultural Code. In determining the conditions and timeframes included on the list, the State Veterinarian shall use standard epidemiological practice or credible scientific research.

(c) The State Veterinarian shall update this list as required by conditions prevailing at the time.

(d) All licensed veterinarians, any person operating a diagnostic laboratory, or any person who has been informed, recognizes or should recognize by virtue of education, experience, or occupation, that any animal or animal product is or may be affected by, or has been exposed to, or may be transmitting or carrying any of the conditions on the "List of Reportable Conditions for Animals and Animal Products" shall report the following information to the Department in the manner and timeframes as specified on the list:

(1) Name and contact information of the person reporting;

(2) Description of the animal(s) or animal product(s);

(3) Description and/or address of the premises where the animal(s) or animal product(s) are located;

(4) Approximate date and time the condition was discovered;

(5) Any other information pertinent to the condition that may affect public health, animal health, or food safety.

(e) The Department of Food and Agriculture shall publish this list by posting it on the Department's Internet web site ([www.cdfa.ca.gov](http://www.cdfa.ca.gov)) and by making a hard copy list available on request by contacting the California Department of Food and Agriculture, Animal Health Branch, 1220 N Street, Room A-107, Sacramento, CA 95814, telephone (916) 654-1447.

(f) The current updated list pursuant to subsection (b) shall constitute the "List of Reportable Conditions for Animals and Animal Products". With the adoption of the first of these updates, Title 3, California Code of Regulations, section 796 is inoperative.

NOTE: Authority cited: Sections 407 and 9101, Food and Agricultural Code. Reference: Sections 9101 and 9562, Food and Agricultural Code.

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